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**Project Title:** Permit 19518- PG&E R-582 Gas Transmission Pipeline 613-01 MP 3.29 – 4.04 American River Retirement Project

**Project Applicant (if any):** PG&E

**Project Location/Address/City/County:** The proposed project is located within the American River Parkway between American River right (north) and left (south) levees along State Route 160, Sacramento County.

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** To abandon approximately 1,175 feet of pipeline from just north of the American River right (north) levee to the south at Northgate Blvd and approximately 160 feet of pipeline from the top of the American River left (south) levee southwest to outside the toe of the levee, by filling the pipe with cell-crete. The project also includes purging and retiring in place the segment of pipe on the SR-160 bridge and removing two valves near the eastern abutment of the SR-160 bridge.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** Central Valley Flood Protection Board (Board)

**Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project:** PG&E

**Exempt Status:**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Sections 15301, 15304
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:**

The Board has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 1, Existing Facilities categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations Title 14, Section 15301) because the activity consists of filling an existing pipeline the removal of existing valves. No expansion of existing or former use will occur. The project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land categorical exemption (CEQA CCR Title 14, Section 15304) because the activity consists of minor excavation and backfilling where the surface is restored. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA CCR Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

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Signature

Chris Lief, Executive Officer

Date

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Responsible Agency

**Date Received for filing at OPR:**

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.